Agriculture & Education Opportunities

Animals on Display

You can't go too far around the Fair without seeing animals of all shapes, sizes, scents and sounds. From alpacas to the "World's Largest Male Hog," you can check out all kinds of interesting creatures. Never heard a rooster crow? Wander into the Poultry & Rabbit Barn. Haven't seen a Draft Horse up close? Step inside the Champions Pavilion (Draft Horse Barn). You'll be glad you did!

Edy's Grand Hall

The miracle of flight and physics are the focal points in this building with two great exhibits. The Children's Museum presents "FLIGHT: Where Adventures Take Off," a tribute to the Wright brothers' first flight 100 years ago. You can sit in a real helicopter, feel the breeze of a working wind tunnel and learn about many fascinating aviation feats. You'll also be amazed as Flagstar Bank presents Bryan Berg and his incredible creations from ordinary playing cards. There will be a special raffle to benefit St. Vincent Children's Hospital - see details at the Flagstar booth. This is also where you'll find the Indiana Farm Bureau's Project XL Interactive Arts Festival featuring live performances, exhibitions and demonstrations by Indiana teens.

Farm Bureau Building

Youth, food and fun are the focus with youth talent contests, a karate tournament, baton twirling and the 4-H Cat Show all taking place here. This is also where you'll find "A Taste from Indiana Farms," so bring the kids and an appetite! The building opens daily at 9 a.m.

Indiana State Fair Goat Mountain

If you like goats, you'll love our new Indiana State Fair Goat Mountain located just east of the DNR Building. This exhibit features various breeds of goats in a grassy habitat, complete with Indiana limestone boulders to climb on, a lean-to for shade and a demonstration area. The Indiana Dairy Goat Association also has on-site educational displays.

Little Hands on the Farm presented by Marsh Kids' Club

Located in the Pfizer Fun Park, Little Hands on the Farm is a great way for children to realize how hard work and fun go hand-in-hand on a farm. They can perform all kinds of farm-related tasks and see first-hand the fruits (or vegetables) of their labor. This is a nationally recognized program that has been reproduced by other fairs around the country because it's fun and educational for children and adults. Open daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Livestock Nursery presented by Toyota

Ever see a cow give birth? Here, you can! You can also try your hand at milking a cow and learn about all kinds of dairy and agricultural products. Located nearby, next to the Communications Building, FREE Barn Tours™ are available from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Machinery Field

From tractors to garden rakes, there are bargains galore at Machinery Field! The Indiana Union Construction Industry will be on hand to offer apprenticeship demonstrations while area youth groups build replicas of union built facilities.

Morton Building/Indiana Young Farmers Association

Interactive exhibits and displays assist visitors to develop an appreciation for, and understanding of, the diverse agriculture industry. Enjoy the large waterfall, children's play area, tractor and combine simulators, landscaping ideas and safety awareness displays.

Pathway to Water Quality

Walk the path that water walks as it winds through the watershed - all the land that "sheds" rainwater to a common place. Tour the land-use regions that show how we use the land and care for our natural resources. Kids will discover nature's water recycling secrets at the Blue Traveler. Enjoy a drink of cool, clear water at the "Pathway" courtesy of USFilter. Open daily 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Pioneer Hi-Bred Our Land Pavilion

Explore Indiana's number one industry - agriculture - by visiting this State Fair showcase. You can test your knowledge and win prizes with interactive displays from Purdue University, the Commissioner of Agriculture and Indiana's Ag community exhibitors. Check out the live animal demonstrations, Roach Hill Downs and Red Gold Stage presentations.

Pioneer Village

"A Summer of Fun" defines the good old days on the farm, and that's just what you will see at the Pioneer Village. Visit with the ladies as they quilt, hook rugs, churn butter and cook the old-fashioned way. Our farmers will help you remember the wonderful times as they thresh grain, saw wonderful Indiana hardwoods, milk cows, make wooden shingles, squeeze sorghum, feed chickens and do much more. Wander amongst the long rows of beautifully restored farm tractors. Marvel at the thousands of farm toys. Sit down and rest for a spell and listen to our folk musicians as they render those fine old tunes of times past (check the posted schedule for performers). There will also be a splendid display of historic old Rumely tractors made right here in Indiana on Celebration Plaza.

Speed Barns

This is your chance to see some of the fastest harness racers in Indiana. Dan Patch, Her Ladyship and Single G have all raced around the famed "Track of Champions." Now you can see the barns that some of these great racers called home. Tours are from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

State Fair Gardens presented by McNamara

Enjoy the beauty of the 17,000 square foot, landscaped area immediately north of the Marsh Ag/Hort Building. Two entry plazas provide access to a wide variety of plant life surrounding demonstration areas, a fountain and walking paths. The Angie's List Resource Center features expert presentations on landscaping and outdoor home

Touchstone Energy FFA Pavilion

Entertaining and interactive family activities are what you will find in the FFA Pavilion. Come pet the farm animals in the Children's Barnyard, go fishing for prizes, or play a free round of miniature golf. You can also visit the new FFA Agricultural Express, a miniature train exhibit showcasing the various aspects of Indiana agriculture. Stroll through the beautiful Country Market offering many Hoosier-produced goods such as soybean candles, homemade candles, Amish noodles and homemade caramel corn. You can also learn about the food, fiber and natural resources industries throughout interactive student demonstrations and programs held throughout the day, sponsored by Dow Agro/ Science.



Look for designated "Green" bins to recycle your empty plastic beverage bottles and aluminum cans.

Thanks for doing your part to "Green" the Indiana State Fair.

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